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1. (Secret - GLC) Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee, called and requested, on a crash basis, information which Senator Stennis desired for the secret Senate session on Laos today which was requested by Senator Symington. Braswell asked for and was given papers containing the thrust of the Director's testimony on Laos to the Foreign Relations Committee and a breakdown of Agency money spent in Laos over the years including projections for fiscal year 1972. He also requested a memo describing [redacted] which are being used in Laos. When I gave Braswell this material he expressed concern that the funds transferred to the Agency for [redacted] did not show in any of the budget breakdowns given to him by the Department of Defense. He said he was going to follow up on this with Mr. Moot or Mr. Brazier of DOD.

2. (Secret - GLC) George Murphy, Joint Committee on Atomic Energy

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unclassified activities having to do with the atomic energy field.

Murphy also asked me if I would look into an incident in the discovery of an apparent clandestine device by the child of a Belgian government official.

3. (Confidential - GLC) I reported to Harry Symmes, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations, Senator Ellender's position with regard to the use of the continuing resolution for interim funding of the Radios pending congressional action on the Case bill. Symmes said that he and Assistant Secretary David Abshire had seen Senator Fulbright over the weekend and Fulbright reaffirmed his opposition to the revised Case bill and suggested to State that they go back to Case's original proposal. Symmes added there will be an executive session of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee this morning and the subject of the Radios is on the agenda.

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25X1 4. (Confidential - GLC) [] CI Staff, called to say that Harvey Wellman, Special Assistant to the Secretary of State for Narcotics Matters, had been in touch with him about a request he had received from Dr. John J. Brady, Jr., of the House Foreign Affairs Committee staff, for a copy of the report on the drug problem which was referred to in the New York Times article the other day. Brady had also asked about the author of the report. [] suggested it be referred to as a report prepared by BNDD and CIA. [] is forwarding us a copy of the report for transmittal to Brady.

25X1 5. (Internal Use Only - PLC) Mr. Frank Morgan, staff member, office of Senator Winston Prouty (R., Vt.) called and requested any publications providing general information on the role of CIA. Mr. Morgan stated he first learned of CIA through Mr. Lyman Kirkpatrick at Brown University. Mr. Morgan was also interested in what conditions would warrant an emergency relocation of the Agency. I advised Mr. Morgan I would provide him with the pamphlets he requested and probably only general information as to the Agency's emergency relocation.

25X1 6. (Internal Use Only - JGO) Met with Mr. John R. Blandford, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, who told me that the Chairman will be appearing before the Rules Committee in the morning for a rule on H. R. 6483, appointment of Marine Corps officers to the grade of general, and H. R. 8687, military procurement appropriations authorization bill. Although the scheduling for floor debate is very iffy at this time, it is Mr. Blandford's opinion that the procurement bill will be on the floor before the end of the month.

7. (Internal Use Only - JGO) Met with Mr. Gary Michalak, House Appropriations Committee staff, who told me that the Appropriations Committee hearings on the Defense appropriations bill will wind up on Thursday of this week.

8. (Confidential - JGO) Delivered copy number two of the transcript of the Director's testimony before House Armed Services Committee on 25 March to Miss Louise Ellis, of the Committee staff, for review in connection with the commercial reporting firm's billing for transcript services.

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9. (Internal Use Only - JGO) Met with Mr. John Martiny, Chief Counsel, House Post Office and Civil Service Committee, who told me that a new member, Representative William O. Mills, Republican from the 1st district in Maryland, has been appointed to fill the vacancy in the Hanley Subcommittee on Employee Benefits. Mr. Mills was Administrative Assistant to Representative Rogers Morton before Mr. Morton's appointment to the Cabinet. Mr. Martiny noted that the full Committee meetings this week on the air controller legislation and other items of pressing business foreclosed his attending the breakfast on Wednesday with the Hanley Subcommittee.

10. (Internal Use Only - JGO) Met with Mr. Richard Barton, Employee Benefits Subcommittee staff, who told me he would be checking with Mr. Mills, the new Subcommittee member, later in the day concerning the breakfast meeting at the Agency Wednesday morning. It was also agreed that this office would survey the members attending to identify make of car and license number of those who will be driving to facilitate their entrance past the gate on arrival at Headquarters on Wednesday morning. Mr. Barton noted that it will be helpful for the Committee members if the time schedule of returning to the Hill not later than 10:30 a.m., can be adhered to since many of them will be attending the full Committee hearing on the air controller legislation.

Mr. Barton called late in the day and said that Mr. Mills, with regrets, will not be able to attend the breakfast briefing.

11. (Secret - JMM) On Saturday morning, 5 June, the Director told me of conversations he had had with Senator Symington and Dr. Kissinger regarding the secret Senate session on Laos scheduled for 7 June. See Memo for Record.

12. (Secret - JMM) At the Director's instructions, I returned a call I had received from John Lehman, of Dr. Kissinger's staff in the White House. Lehman said John Scali and other members of the White House staff were much disturbed over the upcoming secret Senate session on Laos and feared it might result in another "credibility gap." Lehman asked if I could come to the White House and tell the staff members what I understood to be in the offing for the secret session. I said I just discussed the matter with the Director who said he and Dr. Kissinger had just discussed the matter and agreed that we shouldn't fight the problem at this stage. Lehman said in this case he supposed nothing more need be done, but he would check with Kissinger and call me back if necessary. I have heard nothing more from him.

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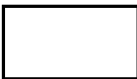
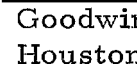
13. (Secret - JMM) At the Director's suggestion, I called Senator Henry M. Jackson and told him of our concern about the upcoming secret Senate session on Laos but said that we did not wish him to take any initiative in our behalf other than to attend the session if possible and let us know what transpired. This he said he would be glad to try to do.

14. (Secret - JMM) Mr. Cary and I discussed with Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel and Staff Director, Senate Armed Services Committee, developments during the secret Senate session on Laos this afternoon. See Memo for Record.

15. (Secret - JMM) John Lehman, White House staff, called to say that Ken Belieu had word from Senator Griffin that today's secret session on Laos was poorly attended and the participants were approximately equally divided pro and con on U.S. policy in Laos. He said Senator Symington apparently didn't get much support for his \$200 million ceiling on U.S. expenditures in Laos for FY 1972, and had decided not to attach his amendment to the Draft bill but to the Defense Authorization Bill.

Mr. Lehman said there would be an LIG meeting Wednesday at which time he would like our views on how to handle the question of Symington's \$200 million limitation. 25X1

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